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1.0 Executive Summary

This report describes the proposed energy and sustainability strategy for the Latchmere House development in the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames and the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames, on behalf of Berkeley Homes.

The Proposed Development consists of a mix of new-build (66 houses) and refurbished residential areas (7 apartments).

A holistic approach has been taken to carbon savings on site, and an ambitious target for carbon savings has been set: the carbon saving measures implemented on site are expected to lead to carbon savings of approximately 40% site-wide, compared to the combined baseline.

1.1 Carbon Reduction Strategy

The carbon reduction strategy for the development currently proposes the below targets, which have been estimated over 'baseline' schemes. Reference is made to the performance of each type of area on its own, including carbon reduction targets and environmental assessment target ratings, as well as to their combined performance. The baselines are Part L 2010 compliance for the new build houses and an estimate of the pre-refurbishment performance for the refurbished areas (Latchmere House apartments).

Passive design and energy efficiency

New-build residential units

Passive design and energy efficiency measures have been incorporated and are expected to result in ~16% CO₂ improvement on Part L 2010 Building Regulations (regulated emissions, as an area-weighted average) before incorporation of Low or Zero Carbon (LZC) technologies.

Preliminary Part L1A 2010 calculations (SAP 2009) have been carried out on a sample of houses in order to inform this strategy (see Appendix A). Results have been area-weighted to achieve a representative estimated site-wide performance.

All new houses are expected to meet Part L1A 2010 criterion 3 (*Limiting the Effects of Solar Gains in Summer*) through openable windows.

Refurbished areas (existing Latchmere House)

Significant improvements are expected to be achieved on the refurbished apartments. The design will incorporate best practice standards respectful of the building's local designation as a Building of Townscape Merit within the conservation area. Measures have been developed in consultation with the heritage consultant which includes the introduction of roof and ground floor insulation, new double glazed windows, new internal insulation to external walls where there are no heritage constraints, new services and lighting, and provision of space and hot water heating via new central boiler plant.

Initial calculations indicate that a reduction of approximately 40-50% in CO₂ emissions over estimated pre-refurbishment CO₂ levels (as predicted by SAP 2009) could be achieved overall based on these proposed improvements. Proposals have been developed in collaboration with a heritage specialist.

Preliminary Part L1B calculations have been carried out on a sample of apartments in order to inform this strategy (see Appendix A for further details).

Overall targets

The development is expected to achieve CO₂ savings of approx. 24% over the combined baseline (Part L 2010 for new-build areas, and pre-refurbishment performance for refurbished areas) from passive design and energy efficiency (Be Lean) alone.

'Be Clean' strategy - assessment of potential for district energy and Combined Heat and Power (CHP)

Based on consideration assessed within report it has been deemed that efficient individual boilers in houses and a block boiler serving the Latchmere House apartments will be the most appropriate method of providing heating and hot water to this scheme. The quantum of development relative to the site area would result in significant maintenance requirements and complicated servicing management; as such, a CHP is not appropriate to the proposal.

'Be Green' strategy – Low or Zero Carbon (LZC) sources

Photovoltaic (PV) panels are proposed to be installed on new houses on brackets on the flat parts of roofs, and in some cases on South-East facing pitched roofs, and are expected to achieve a further improvement in CO₂ emissions of approximately 20-21%. A total PV panel output of 85-90 kWp (estimated to equate to ~600m² net panel area) is currently proposed to meet this target. The provision and location of PV panels will be subject to a detailed assessment of roof layouts by a PV installation specialist at detailed design stage.

Site-wide targets

In total, the carbon saving measures implemented on site are expected to lead to carbon savings of approximately 40% site-wide, compared to the combined baseline.

Further, it is currently estimated that each new-built house or row of houses will achieve a minimum of 25% carbon savings over Part L 2010 (as an area-weighted average within each thermal envelope) in order to meet the mandatory requirement for Code for Sustainable Homes Level 4. Most houses will achieve substantially beyond 25% carbon savings, and it is currently estimated, on a site-wide basis, that the new-built houses will achieve approx. 36% carbon savings over Part L 2010.

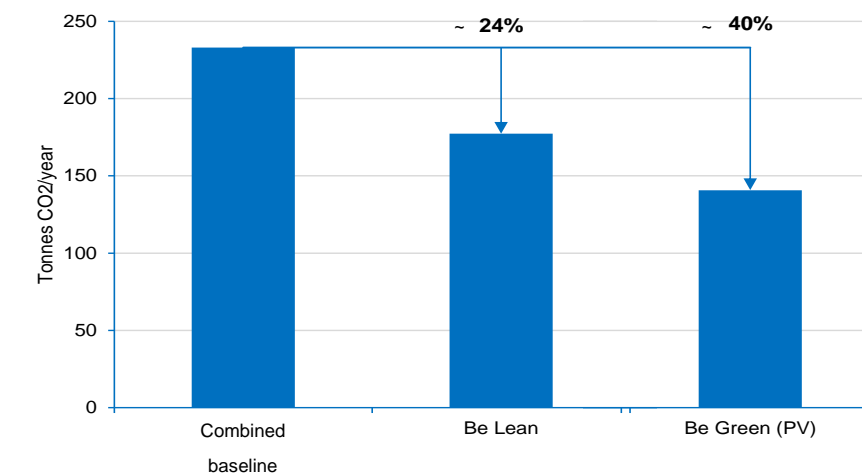


Figure 1.1: site-wide CO₂ reduction strategy
New and refurbished units combined

The Government has announced targets for the next update to Part L (Part L 2013) to be implemented in April 2014. The target for residential units (sector-wide) will be increased by 6% compared to Part L 2010 levels. It is currently estimated that the dwellings at the Latchmere House development will meet this updated requirement based on the estimated performance of dwellings on site, as set out in this report. This will be subject to further assessment when tools become available for assessment against Part L 2013.

1.2 Environmental Assessment Methods

A Code for Sustainable Homes target of Level 4 is proposed for the new build units.

- New residences: A pre-assessment has been carried out to identify the measures likely to be implemented. This currently indicates a targeted score of 70.16%, i.e. 2.16% above the minimum required for Code Level 4.

Further it is proposed that the refurbished apartments will target BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment (DR) Excellent and will meet the mandatory requirement for BREEAM DR Excellent through fabric and services efficiency alone. This represents a significant achievement and will be investigated further at detailed design.

- Refurbished areas: A pre-assessment has been carried out to identify the measures likely to be implemented. This currently indicates a targeted score of 70.28%, i.e. 0.28% above the minimum required for Excellent.

The BREEAM DR target is subject to a detailed heritage, technical and viability assessment at detailed design, post submission of the planning application. Should this prove unachievable, a full justification will be provided to the Councils and a BREEAM DR Very Good rating will be proposed as alternative.

Pre-assessments have been undertaken based on preliminary assumptions and information provided by the design team. These preliminary assessments indicate that both targets are viable, subject to review at detailed design stage. Pre-assessments have been included in Appendices B and C of this document.

2.0 Introduction: Site context and approach

2.1 Site Context

The Latchmere House site is located adjacent to Richmond Park and Ham Common, approx. 2.7 miles south of Richmond Town Centre, and 1.8 miles north of Kingston Town Centre. The northern part of the site, including Latchmere House itself (a three storey 19th century residential property – see figure 2.3), is part of the Ham Common Conservation Area. Latchmere House is considered a 'Building of Townscape Merit', but is not listed.

Directly adjoining the northern boundary of the site is the wooded area of Ham Common, an area of Metropolitan Open Land, Public Open Space and an Other Site of Nature Importance as designated in the LBRuT Development Plan Documents which is of biodiversity importance (see figure 2.2).

The site's northern part (including Latchmere House) lies within the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames, while the southern part lies within the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames.

The Proposed Development consists of the following areas:

- 66 New Built Houses: 11,979 m² GIA
- 7 Refurbished Private Apartments (Latchmere House): 897 m² GIA

2.2 Approach to energy and sustainability strategy

This report is structured as follows:

- Section 3 summarises the regulatory and planning context which has informed the energy and sustainability strategy for the site.
- Section 4 describes the energy strategy and approach to carbon reduction, following the Mayor's energy hierarchy to describe passive design and energy efficiency measures currently considered for the new and refurbished areas. An estimate of energy demand, and a feasibility appraisal of district energy, Combined Heat and Power (CHP), and low/zero carbon (LZC) energy sources is included.
- Section 5 describes the sustainability strategy and measures proposed applied from site selection through to design, construction and operation of the scheme. This section also includes a summary of the approach to environmental assessment methodologies (BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment and Code for Sustainable Homes).

Further details are provided in Appendices for the BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment (BREEAM DR) and Code for Sustainable Homes (CfSH) pre-assessments, as well as preliminary Part L modelling:

- Appendix A: Preliminary Part L modelling inputs and results report
- Appendix B: Code for Sustainable Homes pre-assessment
- Appendix C: BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment pre-assessment
- Appendix D: LBRuT Sustainable Construction Checklist



Figure 2.1: Proposed Site Plan – source: MAA Architects

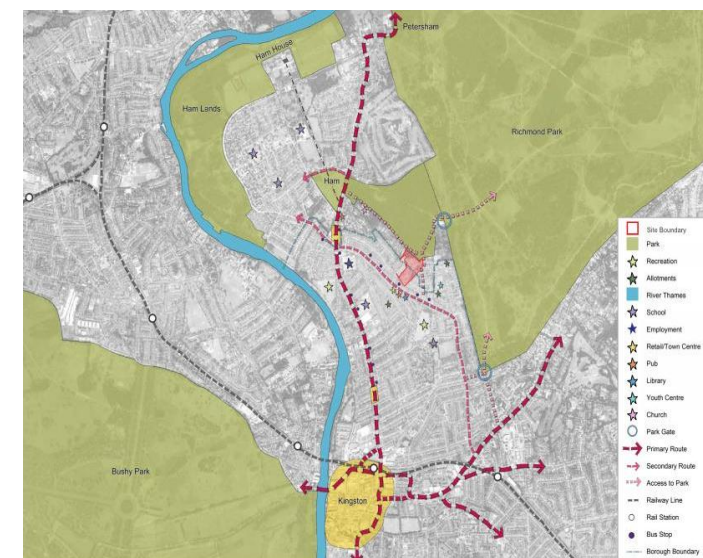


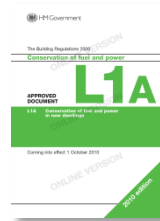
Figure 2.2: Context Plan – source: Latchmere House and HM Remand Centre Planning Brief



Figure 2.3: Latchmere House – source: Latchmere House and HM Remand Centre Planning Brief

3.0 Planning and regulatory framework

3.1 Building Regulations Part L



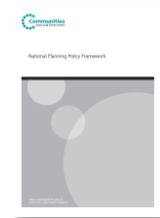
On a national level, the leading requirement applicable to the project's energy strategy is Part L of the Building Regulations: L1A for the new build elements, and L1B for the refurbished areas. Under Building Regulations Approved Document Part L: Conservation of Fuel and Power (2010), compliance is achieved for new buildings by demonstrating that the Dwelling Emission Rate (DER) does not exceed the Target Emission Rate (TER).

The Government has announced targets for the updated Part L to be implemented in April 2014. The target for residential units (sector-wide) will be increased by 6% compared to Part L 2010 levels.

For refurbished areas, and depending on the extent of the refurbishment, requirements vary and include minimum standards for new or replaced elements, requirements for upgrade of retained elements to minimum standards, and potentially the requirement for consequential improvements.

3.2 National Planning Guidance

The National Planning Policy Framework, March 2012



The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was published in March 2012 and has superseded all Planning Policy Statements (PPS) and Planning Policy Guidance (PPG) documents, with the exception of PPS10 (Waste). The NPPF sets out the Government's strategy on the delivery of sustainable development.

The NPPF places responsibility for policy making with the Local Planning Authority, who shall communicate their policies through Local Plans and facilitate the creation of Neighbourhood Plans. The NPPF states that there is a presumption in favour of sustainable development. The following is extracted from paragraph 14 of the NPPF:

"For decision-taking this means: approving development proposals that accord with the development plan without delay; and where the development plan is absent, silent or relevant policies are out of date, granting permission unless:

- any adverse impacts of doing so would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits, when assessed against the policies in this Framework taken as a whole; or*
- specific policies in this Framework indicate development should be restricted."*

In respect of energy policy contained within the NPPF, paragraph 96 sets out that:

"In determining planning applications, local planning authorities should expect new development to:

- comply with adopted Local Plan policies on local requirements for decentralised energy supply unless it can be demonstrated by the applicant, having regard to the type of development involved and its design, that this is not feasible or viable; and*

- take account of landform, layout, building orientation, massing and landscaping to minimise energy consumption."*

3.3 Spatial Development Strategy

The London Plan, 2011



London-wide policy is contained within the London Plan 2011. The London Plan Policy 5.2 (Minimising Carbon Dioxide Emissions) states that developments should make the fullest contribution to minimising carbon dioxide emissions in accordance with the energy hierarchy: be lean, be clean, be green.

The policy outlines targets for improvements on 2010 Building Regulations for CO₂ emissions. For new developments, a 25% improvement on 2010 Building Regulations should be achieved between 2010 and 2013. This rises to 40% improvement between 2013 and 2016.

London Plan Policy 5.7 states that major development proposals should provide a reduction in expected CO₂ emissions through the use of on-site renewable energy technology, where feasible. Paragraph 5.42 states that there is a presumption that all major development proposals should seek to reduce CO₂ emissions by at least 20% through the use of on-site renewable energy generation, where feasible.

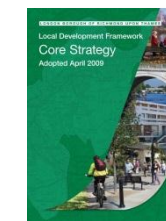
For refurbished developments the Mayor's target is for the environmental impact of existing buildings to be reduced through policies and programmes that bring existing buildings up to the Mayor's standards on sustainable design and construction (policy 5.4).

Policy 7.8 of the states that *"Development affecting heritage assets and their settings should conserve their significance, by being sympathetic to their form, scale, materials and architectural detail."*

Please refer to section 4 for a description of the carbon reduction strategy, structured around the energy hierarchy i.e. 'be lean' (including energy efficiency improvements), 'be clean', 'be green'.

3.4 Local Planning Policy

London Borough of Richmond upon Thames Core Strategy, adopted April 2009



The local policies for Energy and Sustainability applicable to the Proposed Development are set out in Policies CP1-CP6 – For a Sustainable Future, with policies CP2 and CP3 most pertinent for this strategy.

Policy CP2 states the following:

2.A The Borough will reduce its carbon dioxide emissions by requiring measures that minimise energy consumption in new development and promoting these measures in existing development, particularly in its own buildings.

2.B The Council will require the evaluation, development and use of decentralised energy in appropriate development.

2.C The Council will increase the use of renewable energy by requiring all new development To achieve a reduction in carbon dioxide emissions of 20% from on – site renewable energy Generation unless it can be demonstrated that such provision is not feasible, and by promoting its use in existing development.

Policy CP3 states the following:

3.A Development will need to be designed to take account of the impacts of climate change over its lifetime, including:

- Water conservation and drainage
- The need for summer cooling
- Risk of subsidence
- Flood risk from the River Thames and its tributaries

London Borough of Richmond upon Thames Sustainable Construction Checklist Guidance Document, adopted August 2011



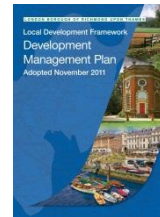
This Sustainable Construction Checklist SPD forms part of the assessment for planning applications for new build, conversion and retrofit properties within the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames. Please refer to Appendix D for a completed version of this checklist for the proposed development.

The Checklist forms a mandatory part of the planning application for the following classes of development:

- All new residential development providing 1 or more new dwellings, including conversions and extensions that create one or more new dwellings.
- All new non-residential development providing 100m² or more floor area, including extensions over 100m².

The Checklist covers a range of sustainability issues, from energy consumption to site accessibility.

London Borough of Richmond upon Thames Local Development Framework – Development Management Plan, adopted November 2011



The DMP includes the detailed policies which will be used when new developments are considered. The DMP takes forward the strategic objectives in the Core Strategy and is consistent with it and with National and Regional Policies. It also takes into account emerging policies. The following policies are relevant of this report:

Policy DM SD1 states the following:

All development in terms of materials, design, landscaping, standard of construction and operation should include measures capable of mitigating and adapting to climate change to meet future needs.

New buildings should be flexible to respond to future social, technological and economic needs by conforming to the Borough's Sustainable Construction Checklist SPD.

New homes will be required to meet or exceed requirements of the Code for Sustainable Homes Level 3.

They also must achieve a minimum 25 per cent reduction in carbon dioxide emissions over Building Regulations (2010) in line with best practice from 2010 to 2013, 40 per cent improvement from 2013 to 2016, and 'zero carbon' standards from 2016.

Policy DM SD2 states the following:

Renewable Energy and Decentralised Energy Networks New development will be required to conform with the Sustainable Construction Checklist SPD and:

- (a) Maximise opportunities for the micro-generation of renewable energy. Some form of low carbon renewable and/or de-centralised energy will be expected in all new development, and
- (b) Developments of 1 dwelling unit or more, or 100sqm of non-residential floor space or more will be required to reduce their total carbon dioxide emissions by following a hierarchy that first requires an efficient design to minimise the amount of energy used, secondly, by using low carbon technologies and finally, where feasible and viable, including a contribution from renewable sources.
- (c) Local opportunities to contribute towards decentralised energy supply from renewable and low-carbon technologies will be encouraged where there is no over-riding adverse local impact.
- (d) All new development will be required to connect to existing or planned decentralised energy networks where one exists. In all major developments and large Proposals Sites identified in the (forthcoming) Site Allocations DPD, provision should be made for future connection to a local energy network should one become available

Policy DM SD4 states the following:

Adapting to Higher Temperatures and Need for Cooling

All new developments, in their layout, design, construction, materials, landscaping and operation, are required to take into account and adapt to higher temperatures, avoid and mitigate overheating and excessive heat generation to counteract the urban heat island effect, and meet the need for cooling.

All new development proposals should reduce reliance on air conditioning systems and demonstrate this in accordance with the following cooling hierarchy:

- 1 minimise internal heat generation through energy efficient design
- 2 reduce the amount of heat entering a building in summer through shading, reducing solar reflectance, fenestration, insulation and green roofs and walls
- 3 manage the heat within the building through exposed internal thermal mass and high ceilings
- 4 passive ventilation
- 5 mechanical ventilation

- 6 *active cooling systems (ensuring they are the lowest carbon options). Opportunities to adapt existing buildings, places and spaces to manage higher temperatures should be maximised and will be supported.*

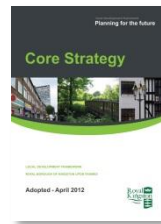
Policy DM HD3 states the following:

Buildings of Townscape Merit

The Council will seek to ensure and encourage the preservation and enhancement of Buildings of Townscape Merit and will use its powers where possible to protect their significance, character and setting, by the following means:

- 1 *consent will not normally be granted for the demolition of Buildings of Townscape Merit;*
- 2 *alterations and extensions should be based on an accurate understanding of the significance of the asset including the structure, and respect the architectural character, and detailing of the original building. The structure, features, and materials of the building which contribute to its architectural and historic interest should be retained or restored with appropriate traditional materials and techniques;*
- 3 *any proposals should protect and enhance the setting of Buildings of Townscape Merit;*
- 4 *taking a practical approach towards the alteration of Buildings of Townscape Merit to comply with the Disability Discrimination Act 2005 and subsequent amendments, provided that the building's special interest is not harmed, using English Heritage advice as a basis.*

Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames Core Strategy, adopted April 2012



The local policies for Energy and Sustainability applicable to the Proposed Development are set out in Policies CS1 (Climate Change Mitigation), CS2 (Climate Change Adaptation), DM1 (Sustainable Design and Construction Standards), DM2 (Low Carbon Development), DM3 (Designing for Changing Climate), DM4 (Water Management and Flood Risk), and DM6 (Biodiversity). The main headlines form the most pertinent policies are set out below.

Policy CS1 states the following:

The Council will:

- 1 *Ensure that all development (including extensions, refurbishments and conversions) is designed and built to make the most efficient use of resources, reduce its lifecycle impact on the environment and contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation by:*
 - *Reducing CO₂ emissions during construction and throughout the lifetime of the development*
 - *Building to the highest sustainable design and construction standards*
 - *Minimising water consumption*

- *Using sustainable materials*
- *Reducing levels of pollution; air, water, noise and light*
- *Planning for increased flood risk*

- 2 *Optimise opportunities for retrofitting existing buildings with energy efficiency measures and low and zero carbon energy technologies.*

Policy CS2 states the following:

The Council will:

- 1 *adapt to the effects of current and predicted climatic changes by working with its partners to develop a Climate Change Adaptation Strategy which will identify priorities for the Borough and future work programmes*
- 2 *work towards minimising the urban heat island effect and prioritise areas*
- 3 *ensure that future development takes into consideration the following:*
 - *hotter summers and therefore increased cooling demands*
 - *warmer, wetter winters and increased flood risk*
 - *water shortages and drought*
 - *urban heat island effect*
 - *subsidence*

Policy DM1 states the following:

The Council will require all new residential developments to achieve successively higher levels of the Code for Sustainable Homes Level category for energy / CO₂ in accordance with the following timeline:

- *Up to 2016: Code for Sustainable Homes Level 4*
- *From 2016: Code for Sustainable Homes Level 6*
- *Major developments should meet Code level 5 from 2013*

Residential developments are encouraged to meet the other Code for Sustainable Homes Level categories (water, materials, surface water run-off and waste) as well.

Policy DM2 states the following:

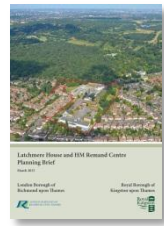
The Council will consider all applications for independent renewable energy installations favourably, subject to other Core Strategy policies.

The development of energy generating infrastructure will be fully encouraged by the Council providing that any opportunities for generating heat simultaneously with power are fully exploited.

Policy DM3 states the following:

Design proposals should incorporate climate change adaptation measures based on the type and extent of the main changes expected in the local climate throughout the lifetime of the development, this is likely to require a flexible design that can be adapted to accommodate the changing climate, e.g. provision of additional shading or cooling.

Latchmere House and HM Remand Centre Planning Brief, March 2013



This Planning Brief has been jointly prepared by the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames (LBRuT) and The Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames (RBKuT) for the Latchmere House site.

Of particular note for this report are the sections on Heritage and Conservation, and Sustainability which state:

Heritage and Conservation:

Both Councils consider it is essential that Latchmere House is restored and the setting enhanced as part of any redevelopment proposals. This includes the retention of any historic features that refer to the building's previous use and/or any other references within the development to the site's historical use. The Councils will seek to ensure the Buildings of Townscape Merit are retained and incorporated into any new development

Sustainability

The Councils expect developers to embrace the opportunity for sustainable development through:

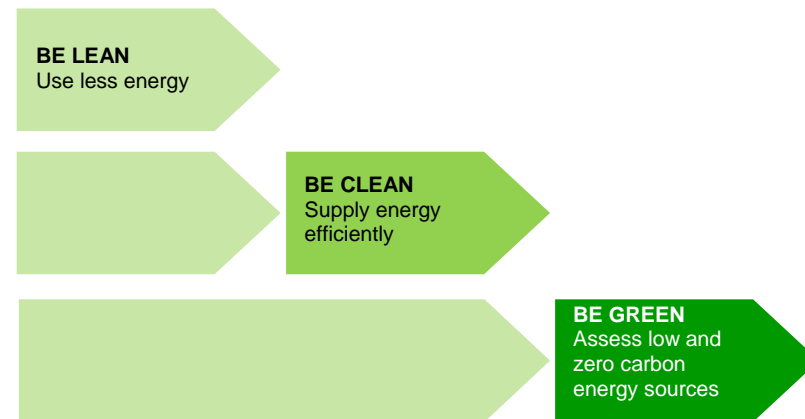
- *the efficient use of resources including land, water and energy*
- *reducing carbon dioxide emissions*
- *using renewable technologies and local power generation*
- *sustainable drainage systems such as swales and soakaways*
- *re-cycling waste and generally assisting in reducing any long term adverse environmental impacts of development*

Any sustainability measures should be in accordance with LBRuT policies CP1-3 and DM SD1, SD2, SD4, SD5 and the Sustainable Construction Checklist SPD 2011; and RBKuT policies CS1, CS2 and DM 1-4. LBRuT policies require new homes as part of a major application to achieve a minimum 40 per cent reduction in carbon dioxide emissions over Building Regulations (2010) from 2013-2016 and 'zero carbon' standards (2) from 2016 in line with the London Plan (2011). In order to meet the GLA's London Housing SPG (2012) standards however all new residential developments should seek to achieve a minimum of Code Level 4. RBKuT policies require Code Level 4-5 to be met for the energy/carbon dioxide emissions category on major residential applications from 2013.

It should be noted here that neither LBRuT nor RBKuT have a specific requirement for BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment (DR), as this is a fairly recent scheme which replaces the previous Ecohomes schemes (referred to in LBRuT's guidance). It has been estimated by the design team that the target of BREEAM DR Excellent is equivalent to or better than the required Ecohomes rating of Excellent as required by LBRuT in their Core Strategy guidance.

4.0 Energy Strategy

The energy strategy for both sites will follow the principles of the energy hierarchy when reducing carbon emissions: Be Lean – Be Clean – Be Green.



4.1 Be Lean – Passive Design and Energy Efficiency

New built areas

The developments will demonstrate best practice performance for fabric and services, and there is a target for the new-build parts to exceed Part L of the Building Regulations 2010 from passive design and energy efficiency alone, before the incorporation of Low and Zero Carbon technologies (LZCs). The method by which this will be achieved is outlined below:

- New built houses are targeting approximately 16% improvement over Part L 2010 before incorporation of CHP and LZCs, as an area-weighted average.
- The proposed passive design and efficiency targets will be achieved through careful consideration of building design, high-performance façade, and high-efficiency services for hot water and space heating. All new houses will be provided with Mechanical Ventilation with Heat Recovery (MVHR) units. Please refer to Appendix A for further details of this.
- All houses will be provided with openable windows. These will be relied upon to satisfy Part L Criterion 3 (summer overheating), taking into account that security constraints mean windows on the Ground Floor will be on a security latch. Although staircases within houses are zoned as per fire regulations, fire doors do not have to be self-closing and therefore cross ventilation between floors within houses can be relied upon to mitigate overheating.
- The facades are designed with reasonable proportions of glazing to allow good daylight levels and beneficial winter solar gains, while reducing the risk of excessive summer solar gains.

Preliminary Part L modelling has been carried out for a selection of houses to inform the façade design and services selection – please refer to the summary report in Appendix A for details of the assumptions on envelope and services, and results.



Figure 4.1: Elevations demonstrating proportions of glazing at front, rear and side of typical new-build houses (House type E1 used as example)

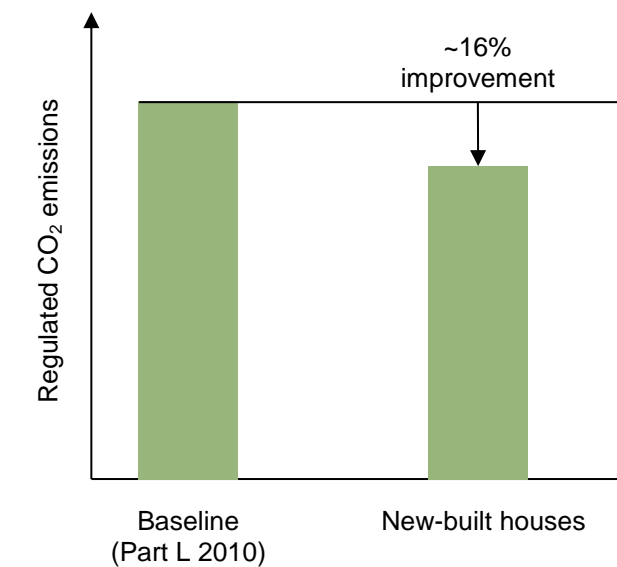


Figure 4.2: CO₂ emissions targets proposed for **new-built areas** before the incorporation of LZCs

Refurbished areas

The options available for improvement to the building envelope have been investigated with a heritage specialist. The proposed apartment conversion has been discussed with LBRuT’s Principal Conservation Officer, and this has informed the approach.

From a **fabric efficiency** perspective, the main measures being considered are currently as follows:

- Insulation added to ground / basement slabs
- Insulation added to roofs
- Internal wall insulation – where appropriate
- Windows: New heritage sash style windows are proposed throughout, providing carbon benefits as well as thermal and acoustic comfort improvements for the residents.

Preliminary Part L modelling pre- and post-refurbishment has been carried out on a sample of the refurbished residential units to inform the design – please refer to Appendix A for details. Note that, due to the nature of the building, calculations have been based on Appendix S of the SAP Guidance, using assumptions on information such as the age and construction of the building. These will need to be reviewed as the design progresses. The current estimated CO₂ reduction possible for Latchmere House is described below:

- Initial calculations indicate that an approximate 40-50% reduction in CO₂ emissions could be achieved for refurbished residential units from passive design and energy efficiency alone, before the incorporation of Low and Zero Carbon technologies (LZCs).

The proposed ventilation strategy for the refurbishment is natural ventilation; however at detailed design stage a further assessment of comparable benefits between MVHR and natural ventilation will be undertaken based on airtightness levels expected post-refurbishment.

While MVHR is considered the most energy efficient strategy in modern, highly airtight buildings, its implementation should be carefully assessed in existing buildings where air leakage rates, even after refurbishment improvements, may in themselves ensure that sufficient background ventilation rates are achieved. Bearing this in mind, the implementation of MVHR units (i.e. the incorporation of additional fan-driven ventilation) may, in some instances, lead to an *increase* in overall energy consumption.

A significant improvement in carbon emissions is expected through the incorporation of new services, as all areas will be served by new services for hot water, space heating, and lighting.

Certain **heritage considerations** will be considered, such as the aspiration to retain any original features that refer to the building’s previous use and / or any other references within the development to the site’s previous use.

Specific to this site there are two particular rooms where it has been decided not to alter the wall fabric due to existing internal features in these rooms, based on advice from a heritage consultant. These rooms are shown on the below plan.

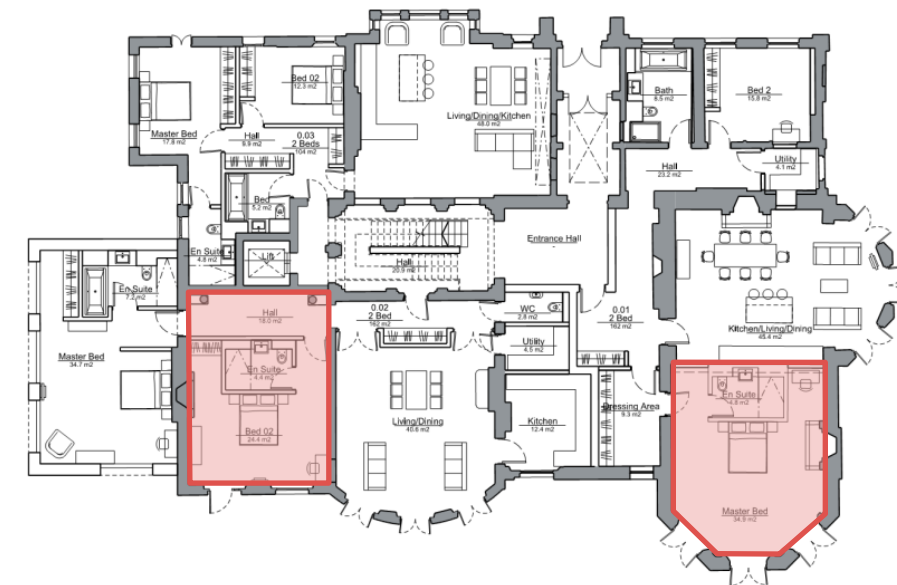


Figure 4.3: Existing rooms where the wall insulation is influenced by heritage considerations

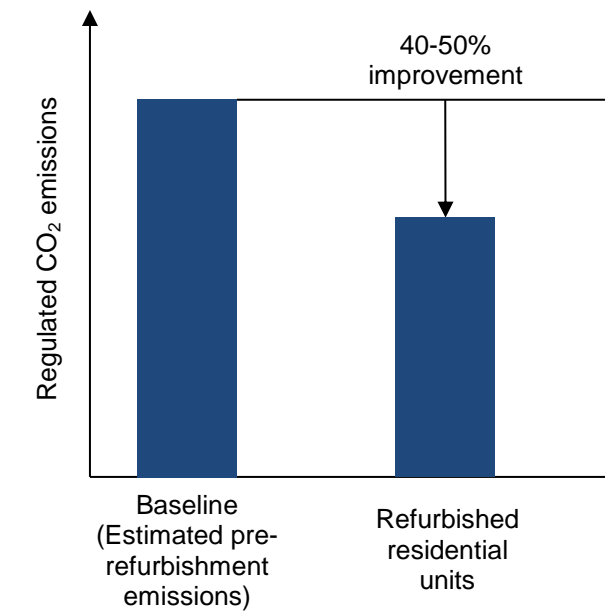


Figure 4.4: CO₂ emissions targets for **refurbished areas** before the incorporation of LZCs

4.2 Energy Demand Appraisal – ‘Lean Scheme’

Energy consumption benchmarks

A sample of dwellings of various orientations and sizes have been modelled in a preliminary study to give an initial overview of the energy performance levels that are expected to be achieved across the development:

- Proposed new-build houses have been modelled using the SAP Methodology to assess a sample of dwellings, based on information provided by the design team. Modelling has been carried out using the approved *NHER Plan Assessor software version 5.5.4.1* – see Appendix A for details.
- Refurbished flats have been modelled pre- and post- refurbishment using SAP Appendix S as a benchmark for pre-refurbishment performance and proposed improvements for post-refurbishment performance. Modelling has been carried out using the approved *NHER Plan Assessor software version 5.4.2* – see Appendix A for details.
- An area-weighted average of these results has then been produced to give an initial indication of the energy performance of the proposed development.

Houses are currently expected to be ~16% better than Part L 2010 before the incorporation of Low or Zero Carbon (LZC) technologies. Refurbished flats are currently expected to be approximately 40-50% better than the estimated performance of pre-refurbishment flats before the incorporation of LZCs.

Table 4.1: Area-weighted Energy Consumption Benchmarks

Dwelling type	Area m ² GIA	Gas consumption for space heating kWh/m ² .yr	Gas consumption for Hot Water kWh/m ² .yr	Electricity consumption for pumps and fans kWh/m ² .yr	Electricity consumption for lighting kWh/m ² .yr	Electricity consumption for unregulated electricity kWh/m ² .yr
New Build houses	11,979	30.8	17.0	3.2	3.1	19.0
Refurbished apartments (Latchmere House)	897	102.6	22.7	1.2	3.7	26.6

4.3 Assessment of energy consumption and CO₂ emissions

Energy consumption

The below tables and pie charts summarise the estimated consumption breakdown based on the benchmarks listed above.

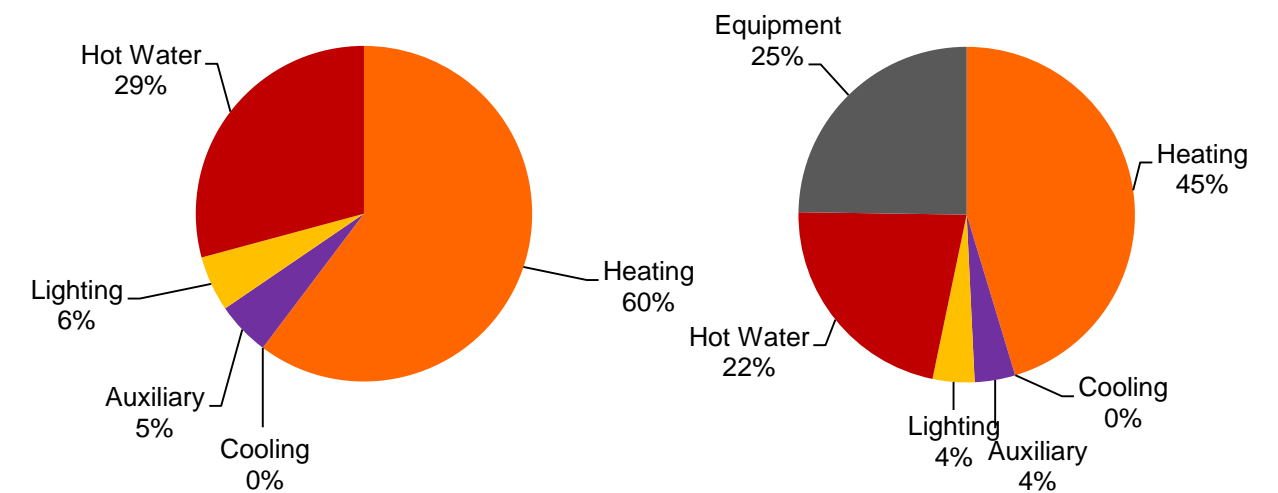


Figure 4.5: Site-wide energy consumption breakdown

Figure 4.6: Site-wide energy consumption breakdown regulated and unregulated

Table 4.2: Area-weighted Estimated Energy Consumption Breakdown

Dwelling type	Gas consumption for space heating kWh/yr	Gas consumption for Hot Water kWh/yr	Electricity consumption for pumps and fans kWh/yr	Electricity consumption for lighting kWh/yr	Electricity consumption for unregulated electricity kWh/yr
New Build houses	369,200	203,100	38,600	37,500	228,100
Refurbished apartments (Latchmere House)	92,000	20,300	1,100	3,400	23,900

CO₂ emissions

The adjacent table and pie charts show the predicted carbon dioxide emissions for the development. These have been calculated using the following carbon dioxide emission factors (source: Part L 2010):

- Natural gas: 0.198 kgCO₂/kWh
- Grid supplied electricity: 0.517 kgCO₂/kWh

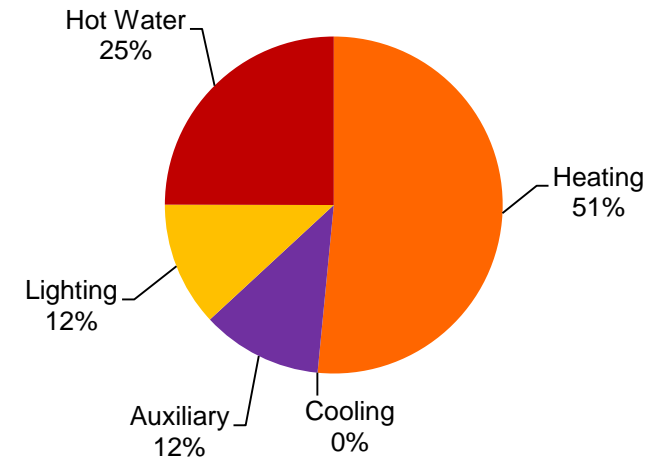


Figure 4.7: Site-wide CO₂ emissions breakdown

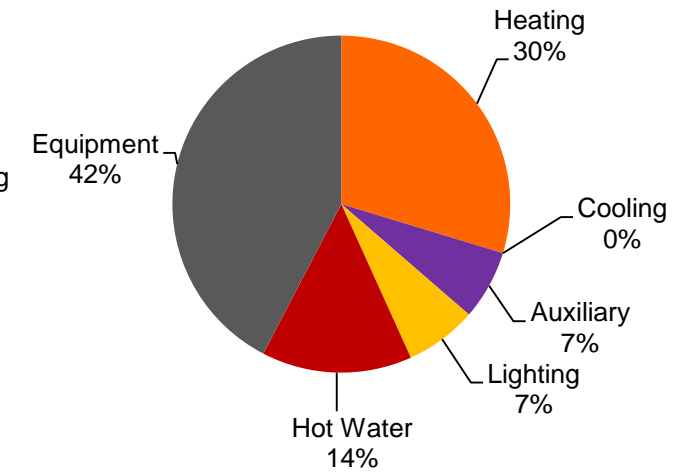


Figure 4.8: Site-wide CO₂ emissions breakdown

Table 4.3: Area-weighted Estimated CO₂ Emissions Breakdown

Space Use	CO ₂ emissions from gas for space heating kgCO ₂ /yr	CO ₂ emissions from gas for Hot Water kgCO ₂ /yr	CO ₂ emissions from electricity for pumps and fans kgCO ₂ /yr	CO ₂ emissions from electricity for lighting kgCO ₂ /yr	CO ₂ emissions from electricity for unregulated electricity kgCO ₂ /yr
New Build houses	73,100	40,200	20,000	19,400	117,900
Refurbished apartments (Latchmere House)	18,200	4,000	500	1,700	12,300

4.4 Be Clean – assessment of potential for district energy and Combined Heat and Power (CHP)

All units on the site are proposed to be served by very efficient boilers for heating and hot water. It has been assessed whether a district heating system for the site, implementing Combined Heat and Power (CHP), would be feasible.

CHP has been considered for the scheme in two scenarios; to serve the new residential units only or to serve the entire development (i.e. including Latchmere House).

A factor that has to be taken into account in both scenarios is the heat loss through distribution pipework if a central CHP were to be implemented, since the quantum of development relative to the site area is small.

Also, the relatively small number of units on the scheme would limit the effectiveness of a potential CHP system.

Further, the inherent increase in maintenance requirements of CHP plant must be taken into account, along with the fact that some houses will be affordable (i.e. with landlord arrangement for tenants), and therefore servicing these houses as well as the private houses and apartments from the same plant would be complicated in management terms.

Based on these considerations it has been deemed that efficient individual boilers in houses and a block boiler serving the Latchmere House apartments will be the most appropriate method of providing heating and hot water to this scheme.

Following the above analysis, CHP has been assessed as not appropriate for this development.

Decentralised Energy Networks

As presented in sections 3.3 and 3.4, regional and local Development Plan policies are in favour of decentralised energy networks, where feasible.

The map presented here is taken from the London Heat Map (<http://www.londonheatmap.org.uk/Mapping/>).

The proposed development site is indicated by the yellow circle in Figure 4.9.

The areas shaded purple indicate 'opportunity areas'. No existing or proposed sites can be seen on the map section given here.

It is evident that the proposed development site is not directly in the vicinity of existing or proposed networks. As such, it is considered that at this time, a connection to a district heat network is not feasible.

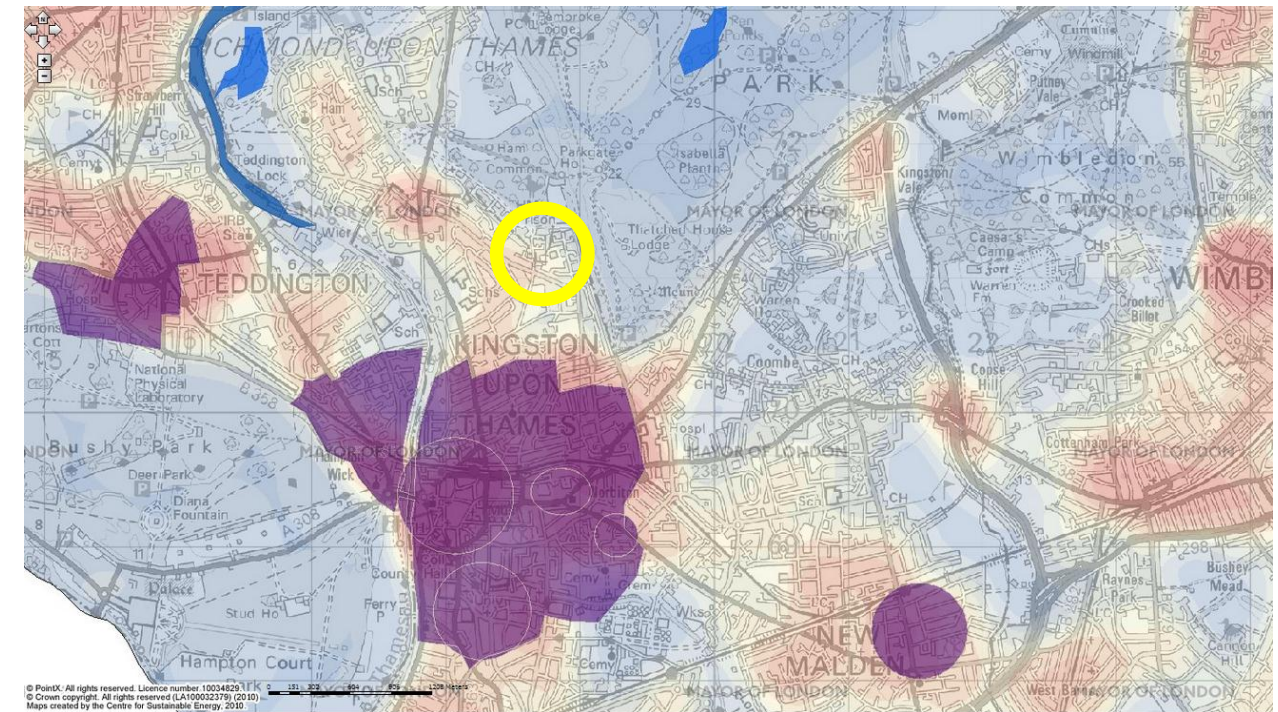


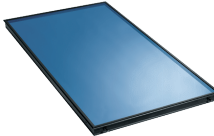









Figure 4.9: London Heat Map – Site shown with yellow circle

4.5 Be Green – Renewable Energy

The table below provides an appraisal of the renewable technologies that can be considered for the proposed development.

Table 4.4: Overview of LZC feasibility appraisal

	Low and Carbon Technology Option	System size assessed	Feasibility at Latchmere House	Estimated annual thermal output (kWh/yr)	Estimated annual electrical output (kWh/yr)	Estimated net annual CO ₂ savings (kgCO ₂ /yr)	Estimated net CO ₂ reduction compared to energy efficient scheme (Regulated, %)	Comments
	Photovoltaic Electricity Generation Photovoltaic modules use the photovoltaic effect to generate electricity directly from sunlight. Roof mounted PVs: On brackets on flats roofs tilted south 30° and in some cases on South-East facing pitched roofs (~30° pitch)	85-90 kWp (estimated ~600 m ² net panel area)		-	69,000	36,500	20-21%	Sized to meet roof availability and carbon emission savings targets. The provision of PV panels will be subject to a detailed assessment of roof layouts by a PV installation specialist at detailed design stage.
	Solar Water Heating Solar water heating systems use energy from the sun to pre-heat domestic hot water. Solar water heating systems are generally composed of solar thermal collectors and a fluid system to move the heat from the collector to a storage tank in order to store the heat for subsequent use.	180 m ²		74,500	-	15,000	9-10%	Sized to provide 80% of the Domestic Hot Water in summer. Review of available roof space indicates that solar thermal could be a viable option, however they would compete for space with the PVs units, which are proposed for this development.
	Ground Source Heat Pump Ground source heat pumps can be used to extract heat from the ground by circulating a fluid through a system of pipes to a heat exchanger which transfers the energy to the distribution network. They have the advantage that they can act as a source of both heating and cooling for buildings. Ground source heat pumps are either open-loop (extracting and rejecting water to the aquifer below the site) or closed-loop.	280 kW (to provide ~40% of space heating for the site)		160,000	0 (No cooling proposed for site)	33,000	7-8%	GSHP would be best implemented as a site wide strategy. As such, it has been discarded for the same reasons as CHP. It would not be viable to provide a separate system for each house in the development to tie in with the individual systems proposed. Further, as cooling is not proposed for the development it would not be possible to balance the system.
	Biomass Biomass heating systems combust biomass material in a biomass boiler in order to heat water in the same way that gas boilers combust gas. Biomass heating approaches a carbon neutral process. Biomass boilers require storage adjacent to the boiler to be provided. The fuel is then delivered on a regular basis.	100W (to provide 100% of the DHW and 30% of the space heating for the site)		305,000	-	57,000	35-40%	Biomass would be best implemented as a site wide strategy. As such, it has been discarded for the same reasons as CHP. Refer to Section 4.4 for more details. Further implications which would have to be considered are the detrimental impact on transport and air quality for the site, and the need for storage space for wood chips / pellets.
	Wind Power Wind turbines use the wind's forces to turn a rotor which generates electricity. Wind power is used in large scale wind farms for national electrical grids as well as in small individual turbines or building integrated turbine.	5 No. 6kW turbines (vertical axis type)		-	8,000	4,000	2-3%	This system would not be expected to lead to significant CO ₂ savings due to wind patterns in urban locations. It is also not expected to be acceptable in a conservation area. It is therefore not proposed.

4.6 Summary of energy strategy

In summary, the energy strategy for the Latchmere House development is as follows:

Passive design - new build houses

Passive design and energy efficiency measures have been incorporated and are expected to result in ~16% CO₂ improvement on Part L 2010 Building Regulations (regulated emissions, as an area-weighted average) before incorporation of Low or Zero Carbon (LZC) technologies.

Dwellings are expected to meet Part L1A criterion 3 through openable windows, bearing in mind that security constraints mean windows on the Ground Floor will be on a security latch, light coloured blinds in new built apartments and increased thermal mass of internal finishes to selected single aspect new built apartments.

Passive design - refurbished residential units (existing Latchmere House)

The design will incorporate best practice standards respectful of the building's local designation as a Building of Townscape Merit within the conservation area. Initial calculations indicate that a reduction of approximately 40-50% in CO₂ emissions over estimated pre-refurbishment CO₂ levels (as predicted by SAP 2009) could be achieved overall based on these proposed improvements. Proposals have been developed in collaboration with a heritage specialist.

Overall targets

The development is expected to achieve CO₂ savings of approx. 24% over the combined baseline (Part L 2010 for new-build areas, and pre-refurbishment performance for refurbished areas) from passive design and energy efficiency (Be Lean) alone.

'Be Clean' strategy - Combined Heat and Power (CHP)

Based on consideration assessed within report it has been deemed that efficient individual boilers in houses and a block boiler serving the Latchmere House apartments will be the most appropriate method of providing heating and hot water to this scheme. Due to the low-density layout of the site with detached, semi-detached and terraced houses spread over a relatively large area, the inherent increase in maintenance requirements and complicated servicing management, a CHP has been discounted for this site.

'Be Green' strategy – Low or Zero Carbon (LZC) sources

Photovoltaic (PV) panels are proposed to be installed on new houses on brackets on the flat parts of roofs, and in some cases on South-East facing pitched roofs, and are expected to achieve a further improvement in CO₂ emissions of approximately 20-21%. A total PV panel output of 85-90 kWp (estimated to equate to ~600m² net panel area) is currently proposed to meet this target. The provision and location of PV panels will be subject to a detailed assessment of roof layouts by a PV installation specialist at detailed design stage.

Site-wide targets

Site-wide, the carbon saving measures implemented on site are expected to lead to carbon savings of 40% site-wide, compared to the combined baseline.

Further, it is currently estimated that each new-built house or row of houses will achieve a minimum of 25% carbon savings (as an area-weighted average within each thermal envelope) in order to meet the mandatory requirement for Code for Sustainable Homes Level 4.

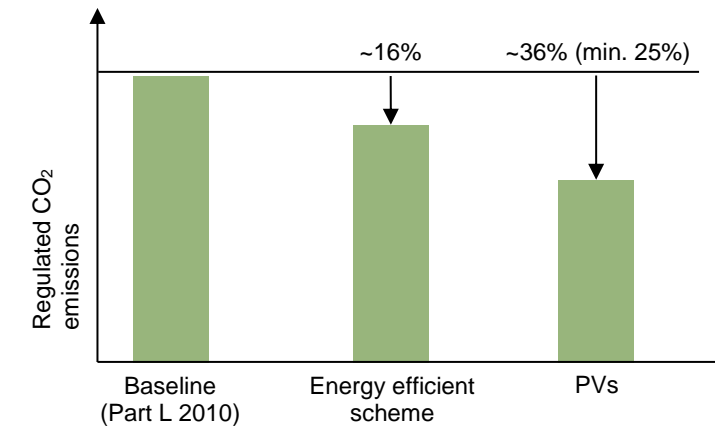


Figure 4.10: CO₂ emission targets proposed for **new built houses**

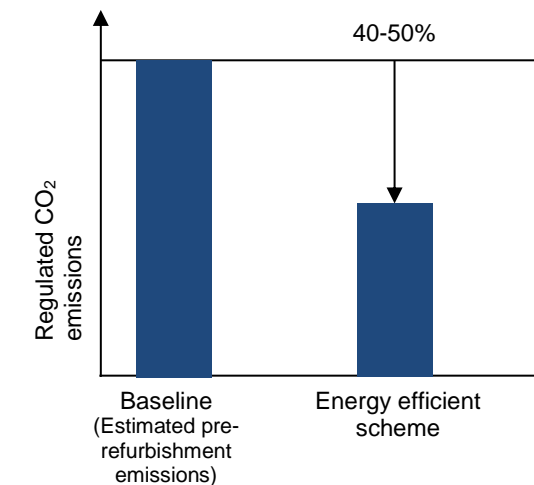


Figure 4.11: CO₂ emission targets proposed for **refurbished areas**

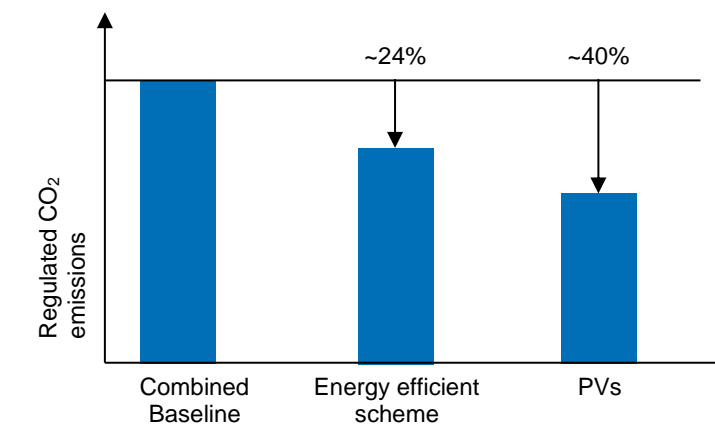


Figure 4.12: site-wide CO₂ reduction strategy **New and refurbished units combined**

5.0 Sustainability Strategy

5.1 Site Selection

The site is located within an existing residential area, and has been previously developed.

The Proposed Development will be accessible by a choice of transport modes. The immediate area is served by bus service 371 which runs north to Richmond and south to Kingston. Bus stops are situated along Tudor Drive. The layout and design approach has been developed to encourage pedestrian access to the nearby bus stops. Public transport and cycling will be promoted to and from the developments, and the sites will include secure and sheltered bicycle parking spaces for residents.

Pedestrian and cycle access to the site and permeability through the site will be provided, in particular enabling improved access to local facilities on Tudor Drive to the south and towards Richmond Park to the north for both existing and new residents. A new pedestrian and cycle route is to be provided via Garth Road. New pedestrian links are also provided to Latchmere Lane and St Anne Boleyns Walk, improving permeability and access to the local facilities and bus stops on Tudor Drive.

Please refer to the Design and Access Statement and the Transport Assessment for further information. A Travel Plan will be produced.

5.2 Biodiversity

An ecological assessment has been undertaken for the development. Enhancements to increase the biodiversity value of the site are being incorporated as far as possible. Further details can be found in the Design and Access Statement. The development is targeting a minimum of 5 credits under the 'ecology' heading of Code for Sustainable homes (Nov. 2010 version), and the one credit available under the BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment scheme (July 2012 version). Please refer to the site's biodiversity report for further information.

5.3 Flood risk

The site is in a low flood risk zone. Surface water run-off from the site is expected to be lower than it was for the pre-development site and there will be no increase in impermeable areas. Surface water drainage on site will discharge via infiltration in to the ground as part of a SUDS strategy. A Flood Risk Assessment has been prepared as part of this planning submission.

5.4 Construction Site Procedures

The proposed scheme will aim to minimise the generation of waste throughout demolition, construction/refurbishment and operational phases. Prior to demolition and construction works the contractor will be responsible for producing a Site Waste Management Plan (SWMP), which will include an estimate of the types and quantities of waste that will be produced throughout the proposed works. The plan will also highlight potential opportunities to minimise / re-use demolition waste and divert waste streams going to landfill.

The contractor will be expected to adhere to best practice guidelines for prevention of air and water pollution during construction. The contractor will furthermore monitor and set targets for energy usage, water usage and construction waste related to the site for the duration of the works.

Contractors will be expected to target a best practice score of no less than 35 under the Considerate Contractors Scheme.

5.5 Refuse and Recycling

A strategy to monitor, sort and recycle construction waste on site will be prepared by the contractor, and waste will be diverted from landfill where feasible. A target of minimum 85% diversion of non-hazardous waste from landfill has been set.

The central waste storage area for Latchmere House will include dedicated areas for recyclable waste in addition to what is provided for general waste. A dedicated waste recycling area will be incorporated in each dwelling.

Provision for composting will be provided for each new-build house in the development.

5.6 Materials and other Resources

Materials with low environmental impact will be implemented where feasible. Recycled, sustainably and locally sourced materials will be used where possible. A full review of the materials specified for the development will be undertaken during the detailed design development stages using the BRE's Green Guide to Specification.

5.7 Water Use

Water consumption in the development will be minimised by the specification of highly efficient water installations. There is a target for water consumption in new dwellings of no more than 105 litres/person/day, and for refurbished dwellings of no more than 117 litres/person/day, in accordance with mandatory CfSH Level 4 and BREEAM DR 'Excellent' requirements.

Rainwater harvesting will be incorporated where feasible for irrigation of external areas.

Water metering and usage display will be provided for the refurbished dwellings.

5.8 Further Measures

Current electricity and primary heating fuel consumption data will be displayed to occupants by a correctly specified energy display device.

All white goods provided will be energy efficient in accordance with CfSH/BREEAM DR requirements.

A Home User Guide will be developed to inform occupants about the energy efficiency features of the houses and explaining the everyday use of these.



5.9 Code for Sustainable Homes and BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment Summary

The following ratings are currently targeted:

- New residences: Target of Code for Sustainable Homes Level 4. A pre-assessment has been carried out to identify the measures likely to be implemented. This currently indicates a targeted score of 70.16%, i.e. 2.16% above the minimum required for Code Level 4. Please refer to Appendix B for details of the measures currently assumed, and a justification of the measures that cannot be implemented at this stage.
- Refurbished residences (*Latchmere House*): Aspiration to a target rating of BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment (DR) Excellent, subject to heritage constraints. A pre-assessment has been carried out to identify the measures likely to be implemented. This currently indicates a targeted score of 70.28%, i.e. 0.28% above the minimum required for Excellent. It should however be noted that a number of credits, and crucially the mandatory requirements for Excellent, cannot be detailed at this stage as they rely on a detailed site survey and detailed assessment of heritage implications. The target rating of Excellent will therefore only be achieved subject to a detailed heritage, technical and viability assessment as the design progresses and following site surveys. Should this prove unachievable, a full justification will be provided to LBRuT and RBKuT and a BREEAM DR Very Good rating will be proposed as alternative. Please refer to Appendix C for a summary of the current pre-assessment, measures not proposed at this stage, and credits particularly sensitive to the detailed site survey and heritage assessment.



Table 1: Summary of Code for Sustainable Homes and BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment targets

Energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ambitious dwelling emission rate based on passive design, energy efficiency, Photovoltaic Panels, resulting in a minimum overall 25% CO₂ reduction on Part L 2010 for each thermal envelope, and 40% site-wide – Installation of Energy Display Devices – Drying space for clothes to be incorporated in dwellings – A-rated Energy Labelled White Goods and A+ rated fridge freezers in the private dwellings – Information regarding the EU Energy Efficiency Labelling will be provided to all affordable dwellings – 100% energy efficient internal and external lighting – Provision of secure and sheltered cycle storage spaces for residents
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – All new residential units will target a maximum water consumption of 105 litres/person/day – All refurbished residential units will target a maximum water consumption of 117 litres/person/day – Water metering and usage display will be provided for the refurbished dwellings
Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Materials will be responsibly sourced where possible. For timber products this will require FSC or similar certification, and for non-timber products that the materials have EMS certification at either the process stage or the process and extraction phases – By means of consultation with the BRE Green Guide to Specification, the project will, as far as is practical and feasible, specify products of low environmental impact and responsible sourcing
Surface Water Run-off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The site is in a low flood risk zone (Zone 1) – Surface water run-off from each site is not expected to be greater than it was for the pre-development sites and there is no increase in impermeable areas. All surface water drainage on site will discharge via infiltration in to the ground
Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Dedicated internal storage bins for recyclable waste will be provided for each dwelling (internally) – A combination of centralised and individual waste storage areas will be provided for recyclables and non-recyclables – A compliant Site Waste Management Plan will be developed – Provision for composting will be provided for each new-build house in the development
Pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Insulants with a low global warming potential (GWP < 5) to be used where possible – Boilers will be selected to have low NOx emissions
Health and Well-being	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Airborne and impact sound insulation values expected to be at least 5dB better than building regulations new dwellings, and 3dB better than pre-refurbishment values for refurbished apartments – Private and semi-private amenity spaces provided for all residents in new-build homes – Principles of Lifetime Homes to be adhered to for all new build dwellings – The development will seek to incorporate advice from the local Architectural Liaison Officer and adhere to the principles of Secured by Design for the new build residential units and to incorporate secure windows and doors in the listed buildings where required and where acceptable to heritage conservation
Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Home user guide to be produced on completion to give details of operation and energy performance – Main contractor to achieve a best practice score under the Considerate Constructors Scheme – Energy, water usage and waste related to each site to be monitored for the duration of the construction
Ecology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ecologist appointed to advise on current ecological value and possible improvements – An ecological survey has been carried out. There is not expected to be net loss of biodiversity or access to nature from the current site – Enhancements to increase the biodiversity value of the site are being incorporated as far as possible. Please refer to the biodiversity report for further information

6.0 Conclusion

This report describes the proposed energy and sustainability strategy for the Latchmere House development located across two boroughs in South-west London: London Borough of Richmond upon Thames and Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames.

The Proposed Development consists of a mix of new-build and refurbished residential areas.

A holistic approach has been taken to carbon savings on site, and an ambitious target for carbon savings has been set: the carbon saving measures implemented on site are expected to lead to carbon savings of approximately 40% site-wide, compared to the combined baseline.

6.1 Carbon Reduction Strategy

In summary, the energy strategy for the Latchmere House development is as follows:

Passive design - new build houses

Passive design and energy efficiency measures have been incorporated and are expected to result in ~16% CO₂ improvement on Part L 2010 Building Regulations (regulated emissions, as an area-weighted average) before incorporation of Low or Zero Carbon (LZC) technologies.

Preliminary Part L1A 2010 calculations (SAP 2009) have been carried out on a sample of houses in order to inform this strategy (see Appendix A). Results have been area-weighted to achieve a representative estimated site-wide performance.

All new houses are expected to meet Part L1A 2010 criterion 3 (*Limiting the Effects of Solar Gains in Summer*) through openable windows.

Passive design - refurbished residential units (existing Latchmere House)

Preliminary Part L calculations carried out on a sample of the Latchmere House residences pre- and post -refurbishment estimate that proposed fabric and services improvements alone would bring an estimated 40-50% improvement in CO₂ emissions over the estimated pre-refurbishment performance.

Overall targets

The development is expected to achieve CO₂ savings of approx. 24% over the combined baseline (Part L 2010 for new-build areas, and pre-refurbishment performance for refurbished areas) from passive design and energy efficiency (Be Lean) alone.

'Be Clean' strategy - assessment of potential for district energy and Combined Heat and Power (CHP)

Based on consideration assessed within report it has been deemed that efficient individual boilers in houses and a block boiler serving the Latchmere House apartments will be the most appropriate method of providing heating and hot water to this scheme. The quantum of development relative to the site area would result in significant maintenance requirements and complicated servicing management; as such, a CHP is not appropriate to the proposal.

'Be Green' strategy – Low or Zero Carbon (LZC) sources

Photovoltaic (PV) panels are proposed to be installed on new houses on brackets on the flat parts of roofs, and in some cases on South-East facing pitched roofs, and are expected to achieve a further improvement in CO₂ emissions of approximately 20-21%. A total PV panel output of 85-90 kWp

(estimated to equate to ~600m² net panel area) is currently proposed to meet this target. The provision and location of PV panels will be subject to a detailed assessment of roof layouts by a PV installation specialist at detailed design stage.

Site-wide targets

Site-wide, the carbon saving measures implemented on site are expected to lead to carbon savings of 40% site-wide, compared to the combined baseline.

Further, it is currently estimated that each new-built house or row of houses will achieve a minimum of 25% carbon savings over Part L 2010 (as an area-weighted average within each thermal envelope) in order to meet the mandatory requirement for Code for Sustainable Homes Level 4. Most houses will achieve substantially beyond 25% carbon savings, and it is currently estimated, on a site-wide basis, that the new-built houses will achieve approx. 36% carbon savings over Part L 2010.

The Government has announced targets for the next update to Part L (Part L 2013) to be implemented in April 2014. The target for residential units (sector-wide) will be increased by 6% compared to Part L 2010 levels. It is currently estimated that the dwellings at the Latchmere House development will meet this updated requirement based on the estimated performance of dwellings on site, as set out in this report. This will be subject to further assessment when tools become available for assessment against Part L 2013.

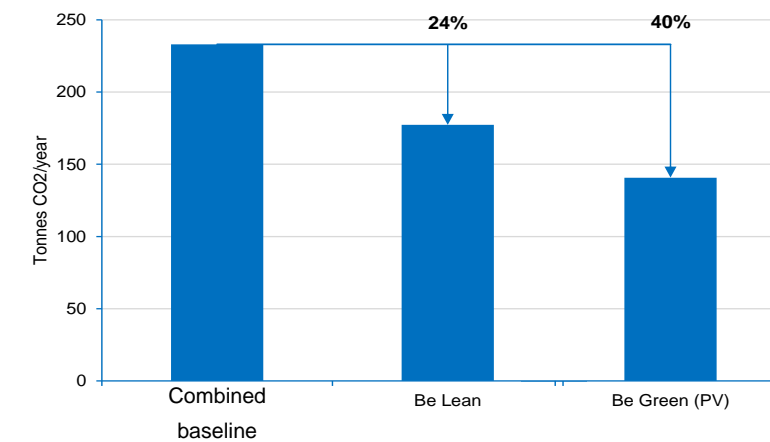


Figure 1.1: site-wide CO₂ reduction strategy
New and refurbished units combined

6.2 Environmental Assessment Methods

Code for Sustainable Homes and BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment pre-assessments have been carried out which will be reviewed regularly by the team as the design progresses. Targets have been set as follows:

- **New residences: Code for Sustainable Homes Level 4**

New residences: A pre-assessment has been carried out to identify the measures likely to be implemented. This currently indicates a targeted score of 70.16%, i.e. 2.16% above the minimum required for Code Level 4.

- **Refurbished residences (Latchmere House): BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment (DR) Excellent** through fabric and services efficiency alone.

A pre-assessment has been carried out to identify the measures likely to be implemented. This currently indicates a targeted score of 70.28%, i.e. 0.28% above the minimum required for Excellent.

The BREEAM DR target is subject to a detailed heritage, technical and viability assessment at detailed design, post submission of the planning application. Should this prove unachievable, a full justification will be provided to the Councils and a BREEAM DR Very Good rating will be proposed as alternative.

Pre-assessments have been undertaken based on preliminary assumptions and information provided by the design team. These preliminary assessments indicate that both targets are viable, subject to review at detailed design stage. Pre-assessments have been included in Appendices B and C of this document.

7.0 Appendix A: Preliminary Part L modelling report



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Preliminary Part L1A and L1B Report – Scheme 1
Rev. B



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1 Executive Summary

This SAP assessment has been prepared on behalf of Berkeley Homes, for the proposed residential development at Latchmere House in the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames and the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames, hereafter referred to as the Proposed Development.

The Proposed Development comprises of both new build houses, and refurbished apartments (within the existing Latchmere House). NHER version 5.4.2 has been used for the modelling of refurbished elements, and version 5.5.4.1 has been used for the modelling of new-built residences described in this report.

1.1 Assessment of Building Regulations compliance

This report tests preliminary compliance with Building Regulations Part L for a sample of dwellings as follows:

New Build Dwellings: Building Regulations Part L1A

a) Carbon emissions compliance (Part L Criterion 1)

The Criterion 1 results of the sample of dwellings have been area-weighted across the development. Using the assumptions stated in this report, and on an area-weighted average basis across the whole development, the new dwellings are expected to pass Part L1A 2010 carbon emissions compliance requirements (Criterion 1) by approximately 16%, before the incorporation of Low and Zero Carbon technologies (LZC).

b) Limiting the effects of solar gains in summer compliance (Part L Criterion 3):

In terms of overheating risk (Criterion 3), it is proposed that compliance is achieved with the use of internal dark-coloured blinds (as the default setting in SAP since it is not known what blinds or curtains will be used) and natural ventilation via openable windows.

Refurbished Apartments: Building Regulations Part L1B

In order to indicate compliance with Part L1B, SAP 2009 calculations were undertaken to determine the estimated pre-refurbishment Energy Efficiency Rating (EER) (using input values from SAP Appendix S in accordance with SAP methodology) and the estimated proposed post-refurbishment EER based on the proposed building services design and proposed fabric improvements as agreed with the team (i.e. new internal insulation where allowed, new windows, new floor and roof insulation, and an estimate of improvement to the fabric air tightness). Calculations indicate that the proposed refurbishment EER is estimated to be higher than the pre-refurbishment values for those of the sample apartments, meaning that the proposed post-refurbishment apartments have lower estimated carbon emissions than the pre-refurbishment apartments.

The preliminary Part L calculations carried out on a sample of the Latchmere House refurbished residences pre- and post -refurbishment estimate that proposed fabric and services improvements alone would bring an estimated 40-50% improvement in CO₂ emissions over the estimated pre-refurbishment performance.

1.2 Environmental Assessment Methods: Assessment of compliance with the relevant credits

A number of credits under the Code for Sustainable Homes and BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment rely on modelling results to assess the number of credits available.

Code for Sustainable Homes (Nov 2010) Ene 2 – Fabric Energy Efficiency credit

This analysis assesses the number of credits achievable for Fabric Energy Efficiency Standard (FEES) under the Code for Sustainable Homes (credit Ene 2) to inform the design and targeting of Code credits. Between 6 and 8 credits are expected to be achievable for the sample of houses assessed.

BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment Ene 2 – Energy efficiency rating post refurbishment

This analysis also assesses the number of credits achievable for the energy efficiency rating post-refurbishment (credit Ene 2) to inform the design and targeting of BREEAM DR credits. The minimum requirement is to achieve an EER of 70. All of the assessed apartments are estimated to meet this requirement.

2 Methodology

Figures 2.1 and 2.2 below depict the sample of dwellings tested in this report. This analysis was undertaken based on the architect's drawings as listed in the sections 4.1 and 5.1 using the National Home Energy Ratings (NHER) software version 5.5.4.1 for new dwellings, and version 5.4.2 for refurbished apartments.



Figure 2.1: Tested proposed new houses at the Proposed Development

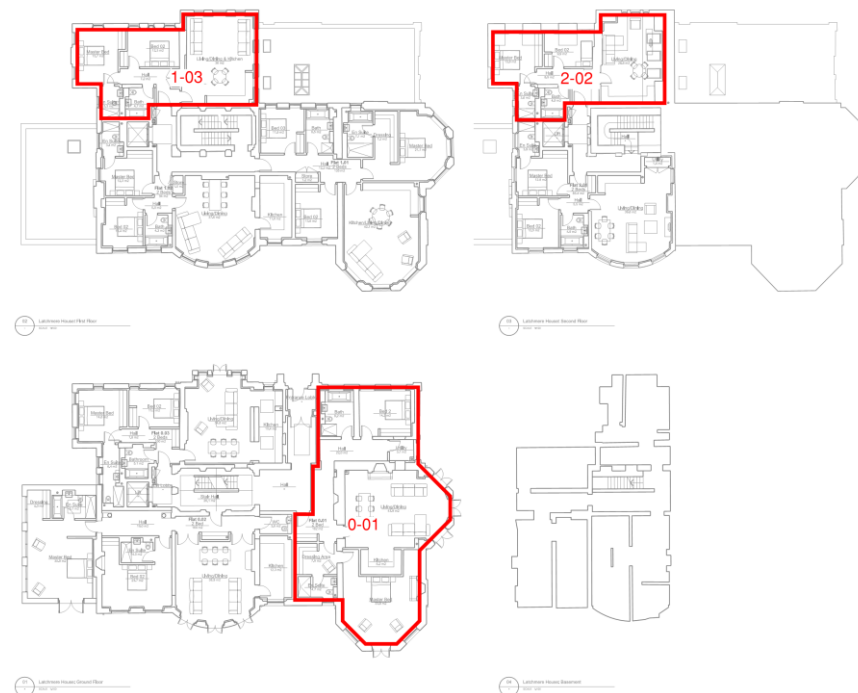


Figure 2.2: Tested proposed refurbished dwellings within Latchmere House

3 Compliance criteria

3.1 New build

In order to show compliance with the requirements for Approved Document L1A 2010 for new dwellings, there are five separate criteria that must be met. Criteria 1 and 3 are covered in this report. Criterion 2 is also relevant at design stage. Criteria 4 and 5 are to be considered at the construction stage.

Design stage criteria

Criterion 1, achieving an acceptable Building CO₂ Dwelling Emission Rate (DER).

The 2010 revision to Part L includes a similar assessment methodology to Part L1A 2006 that is used for all types of domestic buildings, and is based upon calculating CO₂ emissions for the building using an approved modelling tool. The carbon emissions from a notional building (of the same size and geometry as the actual building but with set design parameters such as areas of windows, thermal elements and services) are compared with the actual building. From the notional building emissions, a Target CO₂ Emission Rate (TER) is generated for the actual building. Once the TER is calculated the actual Dwelling Emission Rate (DER) is computed using the same methodology. Compliance is met where the DER is less than or equal to the TER.

Criterion 2, limits on building fabric and building services systems performance

As the method for calculating the DER allows a large degree of flexibility on design, the new Part L imposes worst case design limits for the building fabric and services.

Criterion 3, limiting the effects of solar gains

It is a requirement to show that the effect of solar gains has been limited for all dwellings.

Construction stage criteria

Criterion 4, quality of construction and commissioning

It must be shown through further calculation at construction stage that the actual performance of the building will be no worse than is expected during the design.

Criterion 5, providing information

Sufficient information must be provided to the building users to enable the building to be run as efficiently as possible.

3.2 Refurbished apartments

Compliance with Approved Document L1B 2010 for refurbished dwellings is achieved by demonstrating an improvement in energy efficiency over the pre-refurbished dwelling.

In order to indicate compliance with Part L1B, SAP 2009 calculations were undertaken to determine the estimated pre-refurbishment Energy Efficiency Rating (EER) (using input values from SAP Appendix S in accordance with SAP methodology) and the estimated proposed post-refurbishment EER based on the proposed building services design and proposed fabric improvements as agreed with the team (i.e. new internal insulation where allowed, new windows, new floor and roof insulation, and an estimate of improvement to the fabric air tightness).

4 Input Data – New Build

4.1 Drawings

The following table details the drawings on which the Part L1A calculations were undertaken.

Table 1: Architect's drawings used for new-built houses

Drawing Description	Filename	Drawing Revision	Received from architect
Proposed Site Plan	BKH04_P_101	1	2013.12.06
House Type A1 Plans, Sections and Elevations	BKH06_P_211	P01	2013.10.30
House Type D1 Plans, Sections and Elevations (modelled as both a mid-row and end-row type)	BKH06_P_205	P01	2013.10.30
House Type E2 Plans, Sections and Elevations (modelled as both a SE/NW type and a NE/SW type)	BKH06_P_207	P02	2013.10.30
House Type F1 Plans, Sections and Elevations	BKH06_P_208	P01	2013.10.30

4.2 Construction Parameters

The parameters used for the building construction are shown in table 2 below. If any of the values should change during the procurement stage, further calculations would be required to ensure that the CO₂ performance targets can be achieved.

Table 2: Construction parameters for new-built houses

	Parameter	Input	Part L1A 2010 limiting factors
Construction	thermal mass	Low	-
	air permeability, m ³ /hr/m ²	4	10
	thermal bridging factor (y-value) W/m ² .K	0.08	-
	heated communal areas, YES/NO	N/A	-
	floor-ceiling height (m)	Various – as per section drawings	-
U-value (W/m²K)	external wall	0.15	0.30
	casement window (incl. frame)	1.2	2.0
	sash window (incl. frame)	1.41	2.0
	rooflights	1.2	2.0
	party wall	0	-
	flat entrance doors	1.1	2.0
	Patio door	1.1	2.0
G-value	window	0.5	-

4.3 Mechanical services & lighting

To comply with Part L1A 2010 the building services will need to be suitably controlled to ensure a reasonable level of energy efficiency. The building services assumed in the modelling are summarised in the table below. There are no limiting factors for building services according to Part L1A.

Table 3: Mechanical systems and lighting

	Parameter	Input
systems	Ventilation type	MVHR
	ductwork	insulated
	Ventilation SFP	0.6 W/l.s
	Heat exchange efficiency	90%
	space heating category	Individual
	space heating type	Radiators
	heating fuel	Gas
	boiler efficiency	90%
	Domestic Hot Water (DHW)	From main
	cylinder in dwelling	YES (Apart from A1 huses)
	Insulation	Spray foam, 100mm thick
	plate heat exchanger	NO
	< 125 litres water/person/day	YES
	% low energy lighting	100
Cooling	None	

5 Input Data – Refurbishment

5.1 Drawings

The following table details the drawings on which the pre-planning Part L1B calculations were undertaken.

Table 4: Architect's Drawing's Used for refurbished apartments

Drawing Description	Filename	Drawing Revision	Received from architect
Latchmere House Proposed Plans	BKH04_P_504	D	2013.09.03
Latchmere House Proposed Elevations	BKH04_P_233	A	2013.09.20
Latchmere House Proposed Sections	BKH04_P_234	A	2013.09.20

5.2 Construction Parameters

The parameters used for the building constructions are shown in table 5 below. If any of the values should change during the procurement stage, further calculations would be required to ensure that the CO₂ performance targets can be achieved.

Table 5: Construction parameters for refurbished apartments

	Parameter	Pre-refurbishment	Post-refurbishment
Construction	thermal mass	Medium	Low
	air permeability, m ³ /hr/m ²	15	10
	thermal bridging factor (y-value) W/m ² .K	0.15	0.15
	heated communal areas, YES/NO	YES	YES
	floor-ceiling height (m)	Various	Various
U-value (W/m²K)	external wall	2.1	0.6 (2.1 where insulation cannot be installed, see figure 5.1)
	window	4.8	1.6
	rooflight	4.8	1.6
	sheltered wall	0.4	0.4
	flat entrance doors	4.8	1.6
G-value	window	0.85	0.6

5.3 Heritage Considerations

Certain heritage considerations will be considered, such as the aspiration to retain any original features that refer to the building's previous use and / or any other references within the development to the site's previous use. Specific to this site are two particular rooms where it has been decided not to alter the wall fabric due to existing internal features in these rooms. Those areas where it is not possible to retro-fit insulation have been shown in 5.1 below in pink.

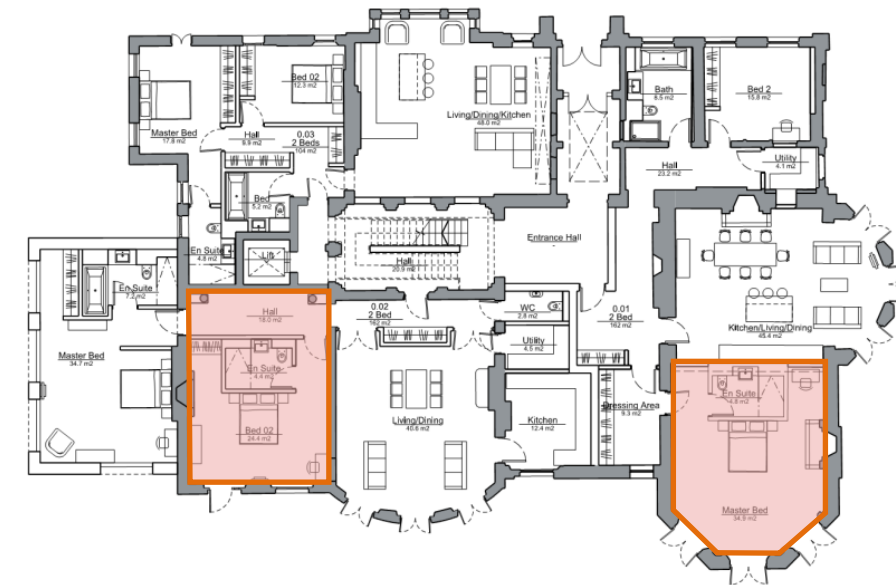


Figure 5.1: Existing rooms where the external wall is influenced by heritage considerations

5.4 Mechanical services & lighting

To comply with Part L1B 2010 the building services will need to be suitably controlled to ensure a reasonable level of energy efficiency. The building services assumed in the modelling are summarised in the table below.

Table 6: Mechanical systems and lighting

	Parameter	Pre-refurbishment	Post-refurbishment
systems	Ventilation type	Natural	Natural
	space heating category	Individual – Boiler	Community – Boilers
	space heating type	Radiators	Radiators
	heating fuel	Gas	Gas
	boiler efficiency	80%	90%
	Domestic Hot Water (DHW)	From main	From main
	cylinder in dwelling	NO	NO
	plate heat exchanger	NO	NO
	< 125 litres water/person/day	YES	YES
	% low energy lighting	0	100
	Cooling	None	None

6 Results – New Build

6.1 Criterion 1 – Achieving the TER

The target emission rate (TER) is the minimum energy performance requirement for a new dwelling. Expressed in terms of kgCO₂/m²/year, it is arrived at using a notional building with the same size and shape as the actual dwelling, with reference construction and building service properties. The dwelling emission rate (DER) is then calculated using the proposed construction and building service properties. In order to comply with Criterion 1, the DER must be less than the TER.

Criterion 1 considers only regulated loads. It does not consider non-fixed equipment that residents will install and use to varying extents e.g. fridges, freezers, cooking, televisions etc. However, SAP provides a methodology for evaluating these unregulated energy uses, and this was also calculated across the sample of dwellings as shown in Table 7.

It should be noted that these results do not allow for any inclusion of Low-Zero Carbon technologies proposed for this development, i.e. PV panels.

Table 7: Summary of Criterion 1 – achieving the DER results

Preliminary result	House modelled					
	A1	D1 MID	D1 END	E2 SE/NW	E2 NE/SW	F1
Target Emission Rate (TER), kgCO ₂ /m ² /yr	17.67	13.71	16.01	15.08	15.05	15.03
Dwelling Emission Rate (DER), kgCO ₂ /m ² /yr	16.15	11.89	13.28	12.45	12.28	12.04
% improvement	8.6	13.3	17.0	17.5	18.3	23.6
Fabric Energy Efficiency Standard (FEES)	44.9	37.6	44.4	46.1	45.5	47.3
Code for Sustainable Homes Ene 2 credits (FEES)	7.2	7.3	7.4	6.9	7.1	6.5
Un-regulated CO ₂ , kgCO ₂ /m ² /yr	15.2	11.2	11.2	8.7	8.7	7.4

The resulting energy consumption benchmarks are listed below for reference. As shown in Table 3, no mechanical cooling is proposed for any of the dwellings.

Table 8: Summary of energy demand benchmarks

Estimated energy demand	House modelled					
	A1	D1 MID	D1 END	E2 SE/NW	E2 NE/SW	F1
Space heating gas (kWh/m ² /yr)	32.5	22.4	29.6	32.8	32.0	34.1
Domestic hot water gas (kWh/m ² /yr)	29.0	19.9	19.7	14.4	14.4	11.8
Pumps, fans and heat distribution (kWh/m ² /yr)	3.7	3.4	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.0
Lighting electricity (kWh/m ² /yr)	4.0	3.4	3.4	3.0	3.0	2.6
Space cooling electricity (kWh/m ² /yr)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

In order to produce the energy strategy, each dwelling across the site was then mapped to the most representative sample dwelling as listed in the table below.

Table 9: Dwellings which have not been modelled have been mapped to a representative modelled dwelling

Modelled dwellings (See section 2)	No. dwellings represented by sample	Approximate total area (m ²)
A1	13	1318
D1 MID	13	2010
D1 END	10	1546
E2 SE/NW	12	2560
E2 NE/SW	6	1280
F1	12	3121

The area-weighted sample has been applied to the entire new-built area on site: 11,979 m².

6.2 Criterion 3 – Limiting the effects of summertime solar gains

Criterion 3 looks at the risk of the dwelling overheating during the summer and requires proof that an adequate air change rate can be provided to maintain comfort without the need for mechanical cooling.

For the purpose of this report it was assumed that openable windows are the preferred overheating mitigation strategy due to the acoustic assessment of the site indicating acceptable acoustic conditions.

A limiting value of 4 air changes per hour (ACH) has been set. This value has been arrived at by use of information within Appendix P of the SAP manual. For a two or more storey dwelling with windows on opposing sides of the building, an assumed ventilation rate of 4 ACH can be used when windows are to be open half the time. This makes an allowance for ground floor windows being shut during nighttime, for security reasons.

Calculations have been carried out for the 6 sample dwellings in order to assess the ventilation flow rate required to mitigate solar gains to a satisfactory level. The calculations are based on the use of a good ratio of solid to glazed areas on the façade and good performance solar control glazing.

It has been assumed that all dwellings would have dark-coloured internal curtains or roller blinds (fraction closed = 1, during daylight hours). This is the default setting in SAP which has been used since it is not known what blinds or curtains will be used in these houses.

Table 10: Estimated air change rates required to mitigate risk of summertime overheating in tested houses

Unit	A1	D1 MID	D1 END	E2 SE/NW	E2 NE/SW	F1
Estimated air change rate required per hour (ACH)	2.2	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.2

The required air change rates for each tested dwelling are all below 4 ACH. Therefore, natural ventilation from openable windows is expected to be sufficient to achieve compliance with Criterion 3.

7 Results – Refurbishment

The results for the sample apartments are indicated in the table below, showing a greater EER for the post-refurbishment data indicating lower carbon emissions.

The values also indicate a post refurbishment EER greater than 70 indicating the mandatory requirement for BREEAM-DR credit Ene 2 – Energy efficiency rating post refurbishment – is estimated to be achievable with the current proposed improvements to fabric and services (subject to heriage constraints).

Table 11: Summary of pre and post-refurbishment EER

Unit	0-01	1-03	2-02
Pre-Refurbishment EER	54	63	37
Post-Refurbishment EER	70	78	71

The preliminary Part L calculations carried out on a sample of the Latchmere House refurbished residences pre- and post -refurbishment estimate that proposed fabric and services improvements alone would bring an estimated 40-50% improvement in CO₂ emissions over the estimated pre-refurbishment performance.

8 Conclusion

The Proposed Development comprises of both new build houses and refurbished apartments (within the existing Latchmere House). A sample of both new-built and refurbished dwellings have been tested using NHER version 5.4.2 (refurbished units) and 5.5.4.1 (new-built units).

Compliance with the Building Regulations has been assessed, as well as the potential achievement of a number of credits for environmental assessment methods (Code for Sustainable Homes for new-built houses and BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment for refurbished apartments). A summary of the results has been provided below.

New Build Dwellings: Building Regulations Part L1A

The analysis has shown that the dwelling emission rates (DER) for the tested dwellings are less than the target emission rates (TER) by approximately 16% as an area weighted average, thus compliance with Part L1A is expected to be achievable.

Refurbished Apartments: Building Regulations Part L1B

The analysis has shown that energy efficiency ratings (EER) for the proposed post-refurbishment apartments are estimated to be greater than the estimated pre-refurbishment ratings, thus compliance with Part L1B is expected to be achievable.

The preliminary Part L calculations carried out on a sample of the Latchmere House refurbished residences pre- and post -refurbishment estimate that proposed fabric and services improvements alone would bring an estimated 40-50% improvement in CO₂ emissions over the estimated pre-refurbishment performance.

Code for Sustainable Homes (Nov 2010) Ene 2 – Fabric Energy Efficiency credit

The analysis has shown that between 6 and 8 credits are currently expected to be achievable for the houses assessed.

BREEAM Domestic Refurbishment Ene 2 – Energy Efficiency post refurbishment

The analysis has shown that a minimum energy efficiency rating (EER) of 70 is expected to be achievable, thus satisfying the mandatory criteria of credit Ene 02 (*Energy Efficiency Rating Post Refurbishment*) for BREEAM DR.

8.0 Appendix B: Code for Sustainable Homes Pre-assessment



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1.0 Executive Summary

The 'Code for Sustainable Homes' (CfSH) is a recognised environmental Assessment methodology adopted by the Government and managed by the 'Building Research Establishment' (BRE).

This pre-assessment contains a CfSH review and credit assessment for the new-built areas of the Proposed Development at Latchmere House.

The current estimated score for this pre-assessment is 70.16% equivalent to a 'Level 4' rating.

Figure 1.1 outlines the current pre-assessment score.

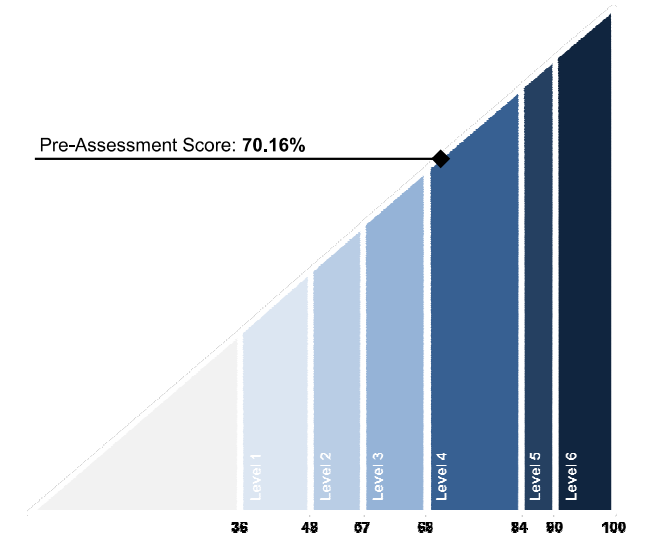


Figure 1.1: CfSH Scale and Pre-Assessment Score.



2.0 Introduction

The Code for Sustainable Homes (CfSH) is used as a benchmarking tool in the design of new residential developments. The aim is to estimate the sustainability of buildings and to promote a programme of design improvement.

Role / Position	Company	Abbreviation
Client	Berkeley Homes Plc	BH
Architect	MAA Architects	MAA
Services Consultant	Hoare Lea	HL
Structural Engineer	RSK Land & Development Engineering	RSK
Quantity Surveyor	Not yet known	QS
CSH / BREEAM Assessor	Hoare Lea Sustainability	HLS
Ecologist	Not yet known	Ecologist

2.1 Background

The CfSH is published by the Department for Communities and Local Government (CLG). The CfSH (November 2010 version) is based upon the categories and issues as set out in table 2.1. Mandatory requirements (M) apply to:

- ENE1 - Dwelling Emission Rate ('Level 4' and above);
- ENE2 - Fabric Energy Efficiency ('Level 5' and above);
- WAT1 - Indoor Water Use ('Level 4' and above);
- MAT1 - Environmental Impact of Materials (all levels);
- SUR1 - Management of Surface Water Runoff (all levels);
- WAS1 - Storage of Non-Recyclable / Recyclable Waste (all levels);
- HEA4 - Lifetime Homes ('Level 6').

Failure to meet the mandatory criteria could restrict a development to a 'zero-rating' regardless of the overall number of credits achieved.



Category	Issue
Energy and CO ₂ Emissions	Dwelling Emission Rate (M) Fabric Energy Efficiency (M) Display Energy Devices Drying Space Energy-labelled White Good External Lighting Low and Zero Carbon Technologies Cycle Storage Home Office
Water	Indoor Water Use (M) External Water Use
Materials	Environmental Impact of Materials (M) Responsible Sourcing of Materials (Building Elements) Responsible Sourcing of Materials (Finishing Elements)
Surface Water Run-off	Management of Surface Water Runoff (M) Flood Risk
Waste	Storage of Non-Recyclable Waste and Recyclable Waste (M) Construction Site Waste Management Composting
Pollution	Global Warming Potential (GWP) of Insulants NO _x Emissions
Health & Wellbeing	Daylighting Sound Insulation Private Space Lifetime Homes (M)
Management	Home User Guide Considerate Constructors Scheme Construction Site Impacts Security
Ecology	Ecological Value of the Site Ecological Enhancement Protection of Ecological Features Change in Ecological Value of the Site Building Footprint

Table 2.1: CfSH Criteria.